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Showers afternoon; fair tonight.
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AMERICANS FLEE FROM MEXICO IN PANIC

ENGEL CHOSEN TO WORK TODAY

Youngster or Bob Groom Slated to Oppose Red Sox in Second Game of Series.

LEONARD MAY BE IN BOX

Dutchman or Bedient Likely to Start For Champs Against the Griffins.



It is still a question whether Groom is pitching for Washington or Boston today—See score in tomorrow's paper.

By "SENATOR."

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 29.—Joe Engel or Sir Robert Elbows Groom will be called upon today to emulate the valiant deeds of Walter Johnson against the Red Sox. Groom is the more likely selection, but there is a chance that Engel will be used. The milk bottle hurler has shown great skill against the world's champions before this year and Manager Griffith may prefer to use him today and Groom tomorrow, thus saving Boehling for Monday against the Athletics.

Leonard Is Picked.

"Dutch" Leonard or Hugh Bedient look like the best possibilities for the Red Sox. Leonard worked yesterday with Collins and looked in excellent condition.

PRIVATE SECRETARY REPORTED ELOPED

Floyd R. Harrison Said to Have Married Quaker City Girl at Seashore.

Reports from Atlantic City today state that Floyd R. Harrison, well known in Washington in departmental and official circles, eloped today to that resort. For six years Mr. Harris has been private secretary to the Solicitor for the Department of Agriculture, having become associated with former Solicitor McCabe. He came to Washington from Pennsylvania, and has made his home here with his family for a number of years. His marriage was a complete surprise to his associates in the department. He left the Solicitor's office two weeks ago on a month's leave of absence. It was known that he was somewhat enamored of a Philadelphia girl, but wedding bells were not expected. When Solicitor McCabe resigned last February, Mr. Harrison became private secretary to Solicitor Caffee, who is also out of Washington on leave.

Reads Colonel's Writing; Compositor His Bride

EASTON, Mass., Aug. 28.—Miss Gertrude Elston, the only compositor in a Boston printing office who could read the writing in which the autobiography of Col. Daniel A. Koller, a retired English army officer, was written, will leave Boston Monday for Los Angeles, where she will marry the colonel. His stirring autobiography put Cupid on the job.

After a wedding at Holy Cross Church and a honeymoon at Catalina Islands, Colonel Koller and his bride will live at 43 West Sixtieth street, Los Angeles.

Dying Is High in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Aug. 28.—It costs \$10 to try to commit suicide in Chicago. Judge Mahoney fined John Collins that amount for jumping into the river.

Tango Selves Into Cell.

CHICAGO, Aug. 28.—Two women who insisted on doing the tango in front of the city hall, after being ejected from a fashionable cafe, were arrested.

MOVE TO OUST NEWMAN HALTED

Application For Quo Warranto Proceedings Is Turned Down By Justice Wright.

THE LAWYERS ARGUE CASE

Jurist Decides to Give One Hour Tuesday to Hear Both Sides of Matter.

An application to institute quo warranto proceedings to test the right of Oliver P. Newman to hold the office of District Commissioner was denied today by Justice Wright, of the District Supreme Court, pending arguments in opposition by counsel for Mr. Newman.

Presented By Bailey.

The petition was presented by e-Senator Joseph W. Bailey, A. A. Birney and William J. Neale in behalf of W. F. Frizzell, who alleges that Mr. Newman is ineligible because he was not a resident of the District for three consecutive years immediately preceding his appointment.

Attorney Jackson A. H. Ralston opposed the motion for permission to re-proceedings, and argued that Mr. Newman should have a right to oppose the issuance of a writ. After hearing arguments by both sides, Justice Wright took Mr. Newman's view of the situation and said that he would hear both sides on Tuesday to hear both sides of the case.

UTILITY BOARDS ARE LAUDED BY DUNNE

Illinois Governor Says Every State Will Have Commission Within Few Years.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Col., Aug. 29.—Speaking before the governors' conference here today, Gov. Edward F. Dunne, of Illinois, predicted that within a few years there will not be a State in the Union without a public utility commission, empowered by law to control the service and rates of the public service corporations of the State. Dunne's subject was "The Growth of Public Control of Utilities." He reviewed the history of State control of utilities, beginning with New York and Wisconsin, the first States to adopt such laws (in 1907), and carrying the story down to the present year, when Illinois, Missouri, Maine, Colorado, West Virginia, Indiana, and Montana created public utility commissions. The Wisconsin governor, who lived with him, said the governor, has been the guide for most of the States, including Illinois, and has been pronounced by many advanced thinkers as the best and fairest law yet enacted for the control of public utilities.

Souvenir Collection Burns, Killing Owner

NEW YORK, Aug. 29.—Smoke and flames from thousands of souvenir papers, pictures, and books collected by Hippolyte Uriarte engulfed the man and took his life in his apartment at 468 Central Park west early today. Uriarte was forty years in the Spanish consular service, and collected the curios in all parts of the world. His wife lost her life when she either jumped or fell from a window. The Uriarte apartment was fairly filled with the books and papers. When the aged Spaniard dropped a match the room was soon a mass of flames. Other people in the building escaped. Uriarte's son, who lived with him, said his father was eighty-six years old. His last post was consul to Canada.

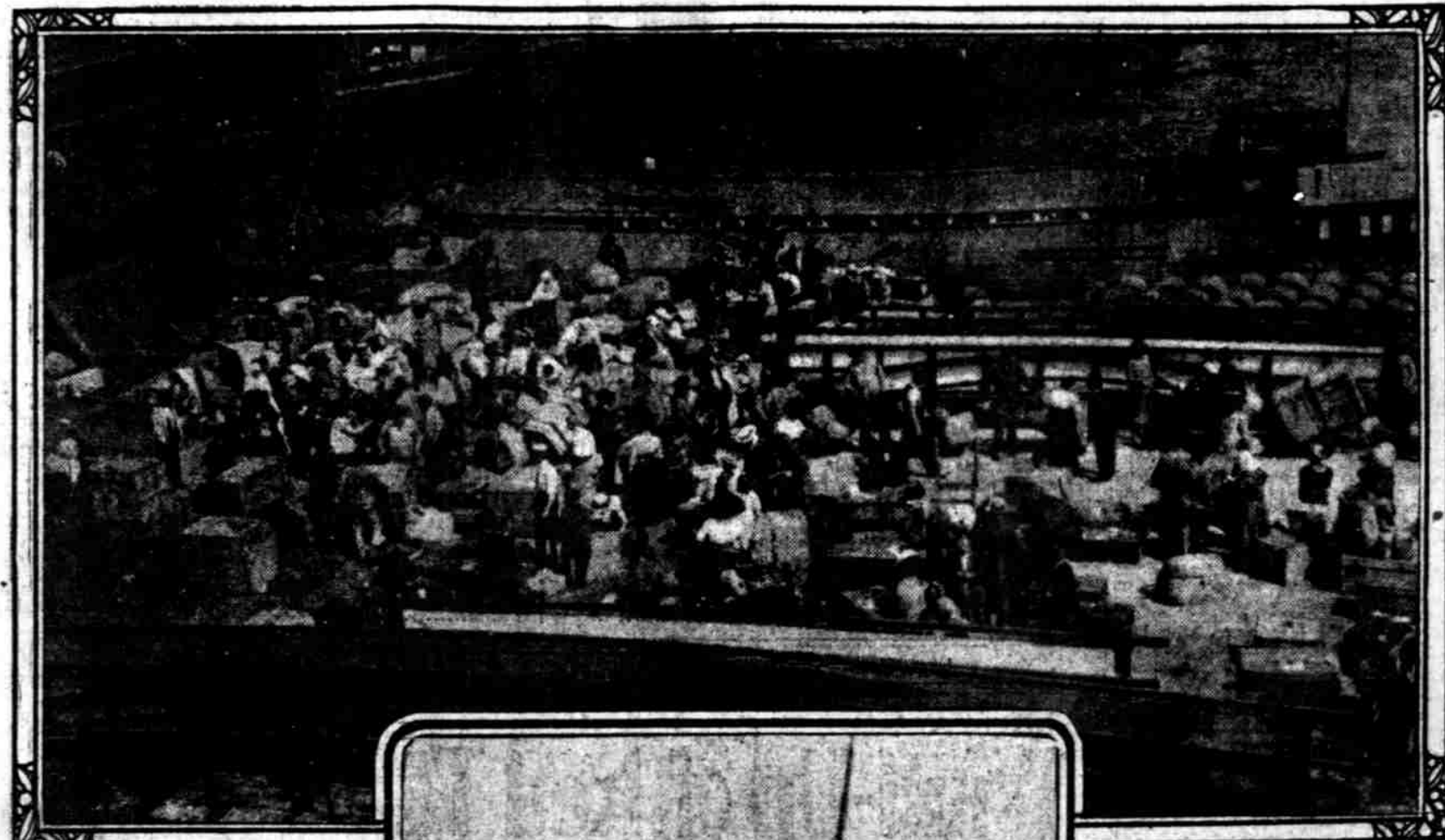
Permit to Carry Pistol Granted Nurse Krill

NEWBURGH, N. Y., Aug. 29.—Justice Samuel Dunn has granted Miss Emma Elizabeth Krill, the nurse who was acquitted on the charge of having poisoned Dr. Stanley E. Tron, permission to carry a revolver during the trial. She claimed to fear Italians who were following her and whom the police have orders to arrest if they are found near her home. Miss Krill says she has seen nothing of the strangers since Wednesday.

Trolley Car Strikes Girl.

CHESTER, Pa., Aug. 29.—After a hurried "good by" to a party of friends, Miss Sadie Glenn made a dash for a P. T. car and was run down by a car on the Southern Pennsylvania Traction Company's line. Her left foot was cut off, and at the Chester Hospital her condition was reported serious.

Here Are the First Pictures of the Steamer Imperator Fire



Some of the 1,200 Steamer Passengers Who, Grabbing Their Baggage, Hastily Fled From the Burning Ship.

EXCISE NAMES GO TO SENATE TODAY

District Committee Orders Favorable Report on Smith and Sheedy.

At a meeting of the Senate District Committee this morning Chairman Smith was authorized to make favorable reports to the Senate this afternoon on the nominations of Gen. R. G. Smith and Joseph C. Sheedy for the Excise Board of the District. He was further authorized to make a favorable report Monday on the nomination of Henry S. Baker for the excise board, provided no opposition to the confirmation develops in the meantime. No opposition to either of the appointments on the excise commission developed on the committee this morning. The protest from the home rule committee, which has been talked about, was not in evidence before the District Committee. It is expected the Senate will confirm the nominations without delay when they are reported. None of the members of the committee is opposed to Mr. Baker, and the delay in reporting his name is due solely to the fact that the President has but recently sent it to the Senate. No District bills were acted upon at today's session of the committee.

Envoy Lind Prefers Coast Headquarters

VERA CRUZ, (via Galveston) Aug. 29.—John Lind, special envoy, today decided to make his headquarters here because he is in easier and more reliable communication with Washington than when in Mexico City.

When General Huerta's latest note, expressing a desire for renewed negotiations and the possible acceptance of the American proposals, was brought here by a messenger, Lind undertook to conduct further negotiations from Vera Cruz unless ordered by Washington to return to Mexico City, preferring direct cable and wireless communication with the United States, rather than land wire and Mexican operators. General Huerta notified Lind that his government is willing to resume the conferences, and that he is disposed to accept, at least in a large part, President Wilson's proposals for the sake of bringing about internal peace and recognition from the United States. William Bayard Hale, who sailed for Washington, via Havana and Key West, said he thought his trip to Washington, carrying the original of the Mexican notes to Lind and his first hand impressions of conditions, would do much to clarify the atmosphere. The nervous tension of the natives was shown as those on the water front were thrown into consternation by a report that many war vessels, looking like American ships, had been seen without the harbor. A pilot reported the ships, saying they had disappeared again when they received wireless instructions from Admiral Fletcher, aboard the Louisiana.

General Diaz in London.

LONDON, Aug. 29.—Gen. Felix Diaz, who recently left Mexico City as special ambassador on a mission to Japan, which refused to receive him except as an individual, is staying at a London hotel with his family. He declined to make any comment on President Wilson's message or on the Mexican situation.



Thousands of Tons of Water Were Pumped Into the Imperator. This Resulted in a Decided List, As Shown in the Picture.

Expect Huerta to Yield Dies in Room Where Daughter Took Life

MEXICO CITY, Aug. 29.—(Via Galveston)—Americans here were of the opinion today that General Huerta eventually will accept the proposals of President Wilson. A report, unconfirmed, that Charge Nelson O'Shaughnessy had telegraphed to John Lind requesting him to come at once to Mexico City was construed by the optimists to mean that Huerta's acceptance is assured. The Mexican foreign office now is making public all notes exchanged by Gamba and Lind, as rapidly as they are written or received.

The Dead-Faced Man That is the title of the thrilling Half Holiday Story that will appear in the



of The Times tomorrow. You can get it only in the Special Noon Edition of The Times along with the two Best Sporting Pages, the Home Pages, and a host of other good things.

BUY IT TOMORROW NOON

FREE DELIVERY TO CEASE SEPTEMBER 1

Merchants May Begin New Proceedings Protesting I. C. C. Decision, Made Today.

Free delivery will be abolished in Washington September 1. Tomorrow is the last day on which Washington or Baltimore merchants will have their shipments drawn free of charge to their stores.

Announcement of its final determination not to suspend the railroad tariffs withdrawing free delivery was made by the Interstate Commerce Commission today.

The decision made today is on the plea of the Baltimore Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association for a reconsideration of all the matters involved.

The last hope of Washington merchants to forestall the cancellation of free delivery as proposed by the Baltimore and Ohio, Pennsylvania, and other railroads is killed by today's decision.

May Reopen Case.

The merchants may begin new proceedings by filing formal complaint against the new tariffs after they are in operation, but the mind of the commission seems to be made up on the free delivery question. A free delivery fight between the railroads and the merchants has been waged before the Interstate Commerce Commission for more than two years, when an upper Fourteenth street merchant filed complaint with the commission and asked for the extension of the service beyond the old Florida avenue city limits.

Favored Extension.

The Commission decided in favor of the extension in this case. Then Anacostia asked an extension of the free delivery limits over the Eastern branch, and obtained the decision. Then the railroads withdrew free delivery in Washington, entirely. Complaint was made that this was a discrimination in favor of Baltimore, which still enjoyed free delivery.

The commission held that if free delivery were maintained in Baltimore it must be maintained in Washington as well. Thereupon, the railroads filed a writ asking for free delivery to both cities.

Protests were lodged by the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association, the Washington Chamber of Commerce, and the Retail Merchants' Association, and the Travelers' Protective Association of Baltimore. The Commission declined to suspend under these protests.

Militants Who Attacked Asquith Refuse Names

ELGIN, Scotland, Aug. 28.—When the two suffragettes who trounced Premier Asquith on the Lonsborough golf links were arraigned in police court today they refused to give their names or addresses.

Miss Violet Asquith, daughter of the prime minister, was overwhelmed with congratulations for the manner in which she went to his rescue. Asquith, in spite of the rough treatment of the women, refrained from defending himself by force, but Miss Asquith had no such scruples. She slapped both the women, and was holding her own when detectives arrested the militants.

Find Mates in Water.

LONDON, Aug. 29.—Mixed bathing leads to matrimony in the opinion of F. L. Pettman, Margate bathhouse keeper, who said that more than 100 of his patrons have married this year.

4,000 CITIZENS START FOR UNITED STATES; ABANDON THEIR ALL

Over Ten Thousand Still There, and Consuls Are Aiding Many of These to Get to Places of Safety—Situation Is Unchanged Today—Lind Still at Vera Cruz.

Consternation has been caused among Americans in Mexico by President Wilson's message warning them to leave the country. Believing that their lives are endangered, many are abandoning everything they possess in their haste to reach safety. That there will be a general response to the advice given by the President is certain. State Department officials now believe that in two weeks there hardly will be a thousand Americans left in the troubled southern country.

During the last three weeks it is estimated that 10,000 people have left Mexico. Many had refused to consider leaving before the word came of the President's urgent advice and since then hundreds have been starting for home or abroad daily.

Just what proportion of the 10,000 Americans remaining in Mexico will need help from the Government in getting away is not definitely known, but it is believed fully 4,000 will stand in such need.

EMERGENCY FUND NEEDED.

The \$100,000 appropriation asked by Secretary Bryan some time ago to aid refugees is now held to be needed immediately.

In this connection it is made known at the State Department that between 4,000 and 5,000 refugees have been aided with money or transportation since last February.

In aiding American refugees the American Red Cross has spent about \$23,000, and last year trips by the army transport Buford to ports on the west coast of Mexico for the relief of American cost the Government about \$36,000.

How complete the exodus from Mexico has been is shown by the fact that, where two or three years ago there were 60,000 Americans in Mexico, according to State Department figures, there are now only about 10,000, and it is confidently believed that there will be less than a tenth of this number within a month, unless conditions across the border improve.

PRESIDENT WAITS ADVICES.

President Wilson is awaiting new advice from former Gov. John Lind before deciding whether to go to Cornish this evening for the week-end. If the news is favorable, he probably will leave the city about 5 o'clock, if not he will stay. It was understood here that Mr. Lind would return to Mexico City today to resume negotiations, but the State Department is not yet advised that he is gone. There has been no confirmation of the press dispatches from Mexico City that President Huerta has sent a third note to Mr. Lind. Nevertheless, Administration officials continue to be optimistic that the negotiations will soon be resumed.

Secretary Bryan returned this morning from his lecture engagement at Newport, Pa., and is scheduled to speak tonight at Kenneth, Pa.

Officials Mystified.

Yesterday, when the President had before him the digest of the Huerta note sent in advance by Mr. Lind, and had only time to glance at the note itself, it was supposed that, in view of the apparent concessions in the note as described by Mr. Lind, the latter would certainly return to Mexico City. Closer examination of the note itself has not made Washington as optimistic as Mr. Lind. There are certain mysteries connected with the latest phases of Mr. Lind's negotiations, and particularly with the "supplementary suggestions" with which he prompted the second note from President Huerta and Minister Gamba, that even those closely identified with the Administration are unable to entirely fathom.

In the first place, Mr. Lind, according to authoritative statements made here, submitted his supplementary suggestions before he had laid them before the Administration in Washington, although they were not covered by the original instructions under which Mr. Lind was sent to Mexico. Officials here are also somewhat mystified by the proposition, included in these supplementary suggestions, that if Mexico accedes to the demands of the United States, the Government in Washington would urge American bankers to underwrite a loan for Mexico's rehabilitation. In view of the manifest inconsistency between this suggestion and the often expressed repugnance of this Administration toward anything smacking of dollar diplomacy, some of the older heads in the State Department are wondering if Mr. Lind has not exceeded even the discretionary powers vested in him.

Administration Kept Ignorant.

The fact remains that, even after the contents of Mr. Lind's supplementary suggestions and Senator Gamba's reply to them were made public in Mexico, and sent in to those dispatched to this country, the President was in ignorance as to the exact nature of both communications. This, it is believed, was responsible for optimistic expressions of careful reading of Senator Gamba's note did not encourage. While it is true that, in this note, the Mexican government was apparently willing to make important concessions to the demands of the United States, the tone of the note itself was sneering to the point of offensiveness. It not only assumed to instruct the President of the United States in fundamental provisions of the Mexican law, with which, said Senator Gamba, in substance, he had mistakenly supposed President Wilson would familiarize himself before presuming to dictate to Mexico, but with obvious disdain, it rejected Mr. Lind's proffer of financial assistance as a bribe. If the note was encouraging, it was also barbed.